

REMARKS

Upon consideration of the above amendments and following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-36 have been previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Claim 38 is hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 37 and 49, which are independent, have been amended. Claims 37-59 were rejected based on double patenting in view of U.S. Application No. 09/500,599, which I believe has been abandoned. Claims 37-39, 45, 47-50, 56 and 58-59 were rejected as anticipated in view of Kolawa et al. (U.S. 6,236,974). Claims 40-42 and 51-53 were rejected as obvious over Kolawa and Metz. Claims 43, 44, 46, 54, 55 and 57 were rejected as obvious over Kolawa.

Amended independent claim 37 recites,

“A method for providing data related to cooking comprising:
...instructional data to the user using the output device to provide the additional instructional data in an audible form for the user to hear,

wherein an interactive cooking session is established such that a subsequent one of the instructions is not provided to the user until the user provides a particular spoken utterance requesting the subsequent instruction.”

As I understand the cited references, Kolawa does not anticipate claim 37 because Kolawa does not teach or suggest the features of claim 37. Specifically, the interactive cooking feature is not disclosed or suggested.

Independent claim 49 recites similar features and is believed patentable
for the same reasons.

The other claims in this application are dependent on one of the
independent claims discussed above and are believed patentable for the same reasons.
However, each dependent claim also recites an additional aspect of the invention and
the individual consideration of each dependent claim on its merits is respectfully
requested.

Thus, if the Examiner believes a telephone interview would expedite
prosecution, he is invited to call the Applicant at the number listed below.

Applicant believes all the pending claims are patentable and respectfully
requests early passage to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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